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Sanctions and Incentives

The following list of court responses are actual sanctions and incentives from operational drug courts throughout the nation and are compiled by NDCI to encourage broader response algorithms

SANCTIONS	INCENTIVES
Day in Jury Box	Video rental coupons
Penalty Box	Court: All Star list, early call ("100% Club")
Observe other court proceedings	Day trip
½ day in court	Verbal praise, compliments from the Judge
Court: Stay to end of court	Fishbowl drawings
Team round-table with client	Community recognition for drug-free baby
Increase UA	Hand shakes and/or hugs
Weekend Jail (work detail)	Grocery store donations
Short-term jail sentence	Resume writing assistance
Increase time in phase or track	Clothes
Verbal and or written apologies to judge and group	Dental Assistance/vouchers
Speak to public (church/school groups)	Medical Assistance/vouchers
Essays - what were triggers, how to avoid	Haircuts/vouchers
Return to lower phase	Makeup sessions
More frequent testing	Grocery vouchers
Fines	Car repairs (brakes/tires)
Curfew/check-in time	Restaurant gift certificates
Return/forfeit coupons/certificates	Interview/Counseling
Lengthen time in program	Video cards redeemable/points (DVDs/CDs)
Take away driving privileges	Candy
Admonishment from Judge	Applause/Special Recognition
Tough physical labor	Graduation Certificates

SANCTIONS	INCENTIVES
Wash police cars	Wave fees
Clean jail	Plaque
Pick up trash on roadside	Less UA
Sweep gym	Flowers
Cleaning graveyard	Lunch with judge
Clean animal shelter/police stables	Tattoo Removal
Work on habitat for humanity house	Autographs (coaches, musicians, actors)
Unpaid clean-up detail	Concert tickets
Work Crew	Free daycare
Community Service, 5–6 hours per day if unemployed	Point Prize System
Arts/crafts project	Babysitting services, diapers, baby clothes, food
Electronic Surveillance	Baby Food
Electronic monitoring	Picnics/parties
G.P.S. monitoring	Invite community leaders to graduation
Ankle Bracelet	Less court appearances
Admonishment	Graduation
Place in geographically remote residential treatment	Movie Passes
Increased supervision	Removing money owed
Increased court appearances	Fee Reduction
Observations of sentencing	Phase acceleration
Geographical restrictions	Kudos
Assist at U.A.	Certificates
One-on-one with counselor	T-Shirts (Phase I, Phase II)
Peer Review	Bookmarks
Round table w/ team	Sobriety tokens
Back Phasing	Bowling tournament
Role reversal or self imposed sanctions	Key chains
Journaling	Recovery Games (Olympics for Recovering Addicts)
Enforced relocation of home	Drug Court Intramural
Home Visits	Co-ed Softball
Weekly one-on-ones with probation	Coffee Cups
Add time to probation	Watches
Reading list-complete	Gift Cards
Tour state prison	Birthday Cards
Increase homework	Tuition or Stipend

SANCTIONS	INCENTIVES
Termination	Cookies /Cake
Civil Contempt	Pizza
Limitation of privileges	Gift Certificates
Suspension of privileges	Turkeys
Admonishment from bench/team	Books
Ride along with law enforcement	Sober Dances
Keep, write, complete calendar and return calendar to court	Fast Food Vouchers
Increase status	Eye Care
Half-way house placement	Family Praise
Essays for Court	Phase Graduation
Extra drug screens	Stars in court chart
Open apology to group	Grant or increase travel privileges
Custody for the Session	Gifts to children
Tour Morgue	Podiatry Services
Restriction to Program – No time out	Sports tickets
House Arrest w/ Breathalyzer	Stars
Increased Fees	Scholarships/donated courses
	Group positive feedback
	Coupons to local establishments
	Care package
	Early termination from probation
	Passes for special events
	Acknowledgement of clean time
	Afternoon session
	Monthly sessions
	Job placement
	Health Club memberships
	Bus passes
	Out of state travel
	Free legal advice
	Pictures that document progress

NEGATIVE REINFORCEMENTS	INCENTIVES
Reduction in jail sentence	Recognize former graduates
Removal/reduction of curfew	Earned chips
Decrease U.A.s	Gym passes
Decrease court reporting	Report cards
Removal/reduction of electronic monitoring	Opportunity to mentor neophyte
Remove U.A. fee	Visitation with child
Work release for jail time	Dermatologist assist with skin care
Waive fees	Amusement parks
Dismiss charge	Books
Record expunged	Sneakers
Early discharge	Early graduation
Reduction of fees	Gift certificate to clothing store
Decrease probation contacts	Expunge record
Decrease court appearances	Home improvement assistance or gift
Program graduation	Massage
Early release from jail	Group leader for night/ choose group nights
Reduction in sentence	Calling cards
Reduction of charge	Lift curfew
Phase promotion	Less PO contact
	Get to miss group
	Big Book
	Transportation vouchers to treatment, probation and court
	Standing ovation
	Express line in court
	Savings bond
	Tai Chi classes
	Reserved parking spot